



## New Greenbelt Town Directory Much Longer Than First Edition

A new edition of the Greenbelt Directory, sponsored by the Greenbelt American Legion Post 136, will go on sale Sunday and Monday of this week. The last previous edition was published in July of 1943, and the present revision was scheduled for earlier this year. Due to difficulties in locating a printer, however, the new edition is dated January 1, 1945.

This is the fourth town directory, the first having been published by the Cooperator, and the second by the Mothers Club.

Bound in a leatherette cover, the directory contains 96 pages.

## P-TA To Examine 5-Point Program For Schools Jan 9

The executive committee of the Greenbelt High School Parent-Teachers Association has given approval to a five-point program calling for improvement of the Maryland educational system. The entire program will be discussed at the January 9 P-T-A. meeting.

This program, agreed upon by the Maryland Congress of P-T-A's at a regular meeting in Hagerstown last month, calls for:

1. Establishment of a 12-year system for Maryland. This state is one of three which does not have the 12-year system—the other 45 have 12 or more years of education at public expense.

2. The reduction of the average class size from 40 to 35 or less. This is favored because a better learning situation exists in a smaller group.

3. The raising of the minimum salary requirements for teachers.

4. Free tuition granted at the state teachers colleges which are located at Salisbury, Lawson and Frostburg.

5. The improvement of school library facilities.

Mrs. Charles Underwood represented the Greenbelt High School P-T-A. at this meeting.

Prince Georges County residents are being urged by the County League of Women Voters to contact members of the county's delegation to the General Assembly in support of better schools in the State.

In 5,000 circulars being distributed, the league calls for a 12-year school system, smaller elementary classes so children may have more individual attention, greater library facilities for both school and community libraries and more adequate salaries for teachers in order to "keep the present trained personnel and attract young people to the profession."

Citing the State's ability to provide increased educational facilities, the league pointed out that in 1942 Maryland ranked 17th in the total income received by the entire population and 8th in per capita income. Against this, it was said, the State stood 47th in the percentage of total income that was applied to secondary school expenses and was 34th in total school expenses per capita.

In 1943, the league said, Maryland stood 31st in the percentage of State expenditures for education, including higher education, while at the end of the year the State had an unappropriated surplus of \$10,600,000 in the general fund.

Members of the county delegation to the State Legislature, which will convene January 3, are Senator L. Harold Sothoron, Brentwood, and Delegates Noah Joffe, Bowie; Le Roy Pumphrey, Largo; Dr. Napoleon B. Steward, Laurel; John S. White, Colmar Manor, and Perry Wilkinson, Hyattsville.

## Greenbelt Sends Pies

Fifty pies were sent to the USO at Laurel for Christmas Eve, eight of them were baked by wives and mothers of servicemen in Greenbelt. Mrs. George Clark, president of the Woman's Club arranged to collect and transport the pies to Laurel.

The names, addresses, and telephone number of local residents are included. This edition is an increase over the former publication by about 50 per cent. Also in the 1945 directory there are dashes extending from the addresses to the phone numbers, which makes easier reading. The directory contains a brief history of all town organizations, churches, clubs, and officers. It will sell for 35 cents per copy and proceeds will be used by the American Legion to promote various local activities.

Mayor Allen D. Morrison, chairman of the directory committee was assisted by his fellow legionnaires, Robert Dove, David Steinle and Edward Kaighn, with Frank Reilly as advertising agent.

The beginning name in the directory is Benjamin Abramowitz and the last name is Miss Estelle Zuckman. There are 181 names beginning with the letter M, and 173 with S.

As there is a limited supply of directories, the town will be canvassed for sales.

## 2 Local Boys Win Air Corps "Wings"

Arnold L. Borgen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Borgan, 3-C Research road has just received his wings.

The ceremony took place at Freeman Field, Seymour, Ind., where Arnold has been training. The new second lieutenant has been home on furlough, wings and all, since Dec. 24. A party was held for him on Christmas Eve, and attended by Greenbelters Mr. and Mrs. Lou Zimet, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Friedman and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Darlis, plus some others from Washington, D. C.

When his leave is up, Arnold will go to Florida where he will learn and practice transition flying.

Another local boy who has won his wings is Pfc. Wm. E. Schoeb, son of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Schoeb, 33-N Ridge road. He has trained at Harlingen Field, Texas, and received his wings there.

Bill, who is only 18, enlisted in the Air Corps while still in high school. After graduating from Greenbelt High in June 1943, he attended Maryland University for three months for A.S.T.P. Then he was sent to Texas, where he has been for seven months, training as nose gunner. Before joining the armed forces he was a popular member of the Greenbelt Minute Men.

His parents expect him home on a 10-day leave about December 30.

## Rabbi Yanow Addressing B'nai B'rith Women

Rabbi Albert Yanow of Hillel Foundation of the University of Maryland, who is the leader of the Sunday School for the Hebrew Congregation of Greenbelt, will speak before the Ladies Auxiliary of the B'nai B'rith on Wednesday, January 3 at 8:30 p. m. The subject of his talk will be "Shulchan Aroch, Codification of Laws." Refreshments will be served. Members and friends are cordially invited.

## No January Meeting

Wells Harrington, president of the Greenbelt Citizens Association, announces that there will be no January meeting of the organization since its regular date would fall on New Year's Day.

## NEW YEARS MESSAGE

As we enter the New Year the thoughts of all of us are with our relatives and friends who are fighting for our country in every part of the world. These men and women are giving their all that America may continue to be free. Therefore, as we begin the New Year let each of us solemnly resolve that with God's help we all will do everything possible to bring closer the day of victory.

On behalf of the employees of Greenbelt I wish to extend to every resident our sincere best wishes for the New Year.

—JAMES T. GOBBEL  
Town Manager

## Victory Day Ball Tomorrow Night Will Draw Crowd

A unique opportunity to enjoy a gay evening of dancing and also to render a patriotic service is offered in the Victory Day Dance to be held tomorrow night, December 30, in the Elementary School Auditorium, according to the Victory Day Committee which is sponsoring the affair.

Dancers who sway to the melodious strains and hot licks of "The Debonnaires", a popular uniformed dance band from Baltimore will be rewarded with the knowledge that proceeds of the dance will be added to funds which have been raised to give appropriate recognition to Greenbelt citizens serving in the armed forces of World War II. "The Debonnaires" are a well-known musical aggregation. They feature the popular vocalist, Melvin Seebodie.

Elaborate decorations for the hall are being prepared by Harry Stewart—in addition to the usual trimmings a novel floating ball has been constructed.

One lucky dancer will be awarded a \$25 War Bond, the featured door prize.

The price of tickets has been set at \$1 per person, tax included; the festivities begin promptly at 9 o'clock, and will last until 1 a. m.

## Girl Scouts Give Play For Women

Last Thursday night the Woman's Club held its annual Christmas party at the American Legion House. The house had been beautifully decorated with Christmas greens by the committee under the leadership of the chairman, Mrs. Lloyd Nelson and a cheerful fire burned in the fireplace.

After the members sang carols a Christmas play was presented by Girl Scout Troop 15, "A Grumpy Santa Claus", under direction of leader Mrs. John Sandy. After the girls had helped Santa to regain his lost Christmas spirit gifts were distributed to the members and to the Troop. Delicious refreshments were served on holiday decorated trays by the hostesses.

Mrs. George Clark, president, read a letter from Governor O'Connor thanking the Club for its interest in pending legislation concerning education. Club members were reminded that now is the time to write representatives in the legislation favoring the educational program.

Two Girl Scouts of Troop 17 presented two albums of musical records for the soldiers at the reconditioning section at Beltsville.

The next meeting of the Club will be held Thursday, January 4 at 8:15 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Joseph L. Rogers, 2-C Eastway and will be under the direction of the American Citizenship Department. Speakers will be Mrs. Lincoln Clark, president of the League of Women Voters and Mrs. Rudolph S. Allen, past president, Maryland Federation of Women's Clubs. Mrs. Rogers will be assisted by Mrs. George Clark, Mrs. Herbert Hall, Sr. and Mrs. William Rogers.

## "Drop-Inn" Youth Center Opened; James Gobbel Starts Ceremonies

The recreation center for Greenbelt's young people was officially opened on Saturday night with appropriate ceremonies witnessed by members of the Town Council, police department, and parents' advisory board. Town Manager Jim Gobbel cut the ribbon across the entrance and gave a short dedication speech commending the young people as a vital community group.

The program also included group singing and Marilyn Maryn's reading of her original poem "Meet Me Here." Teddy Fox, master of ceremonies announced that "Drop Inn" has been adopted as the official name. This week is open house, but after January 1 only those who have paid

a deposit on membership dues will be admitted.

Some decorating work remains to be done by the boys and girls, but they were so anxious to have a recreation spot for the holiday evenings that they decided not to wait until all the work is completed. A juke box has been rented and the town has donated some old furniture for which the girls are going to make slip covers. The boys are making tables and benches in the High School shop, and Tim Evans is going to decorate the walls with murals.

The soda bar began selling cokes and hot dogs Saturday night and has since been doing a rush business. Dale Downs and Mahlon Eshbaugh, as co-chairmen of the Refreshments Committee are responsible for handling the money, and volunteer members of the younger crowd take turns acting as clerks.

Donations are still being solicited for some needed equipment. Any odds and ends of furniture, a pool table, and magazines will be gladly received, and a large kettle for cooking the hot dogs and a two-burner stove are urgently needed.

Committees which have been elected to serve for the first six months include Planning with Leonard Lemire, Mary Jane Townsend, Teddy Fox, Joanne Therrell and Robert Link; Decorations, Tim Evans; Entertainment, Marilyn Maryn and Horace Lup-ton; and Finance, Mary Dennis. The Planning Committee, with the cooperation of the Recreation Department and the Parents' Advisory Board, worked out the present arrangements, and then presented them to an open meeting of the teen-age group for approval.

"Drop Inn" is open to all young people between 14 and 18, or any high school student. Adults over the age limit may come as special guests, and all Greenbelt servicemen are honored guests when home on leave.

## Little Santa Claus, Jr. Climbs On G. I. Knees

A group of Greenbelt girls under the direction of Eileen Mudd of the Greenbelt Recreation Department entertained soldiers at Walter Reed Reconditioning Center in Beltsville, Md. with a Christmas party in the Day Room of the camp on Wednesday, Dec. 20 from 7:30 to 10:00 p. m.

The program began with the induction of Santa Claus, Jr., little 7-year-old Joe Mac Schubert of 1-B Gardenway who delivered his wishes for a Merry Christmas to the boys and then reversing the usual procedure, he climbed upon the G. I.'s knees to take their Christmas orders. The next number was a routine by the Recreation Department's tumbling team, after which Irving Lipton of the Department of Agriculture gave a display of memory act. The program was then turned over to Mrs. Green, of Berwyn, who as Mrs. Santa Claus, distributed gift boxes collected from the various clubs and churches in the vicinity by the Prince Georges Camp and Hospital Committee.

Following an elaborate array of refreshments the party was brought to a close with choral singing around the piano.

## Maintenance Party Held

The local maintenance staff held a party in their office last Saturday afternoon as a Christmas present to all the town employees. The guests were served a delicious lunch and then joined in singing carols and dancing to recorded music. Johnny Walker entertained with his banjo and Herbert Hall, Sr. added to the fun with some accordion numbers. About 60 people attended the gala affair.

## G. C. S. Xmas Sales Set All-Time High

Record breaking sales of \$27,027 compared to \$23,293 for 1943 marked last week's business in the stores of Greenbelt Consumer Services. Despite the absence of turkeys and chickens for Christmas—obtainable by G.C.S. only at higher than ceiling prices—the Food Store reached an all-time high with \$14,588, over a thousand dollars more than last year.

"We hope that this is only the beginning of a real increase in service to the people of Greenbelt," commented General Manager Sam Ashelman. "Dollar volume is important but meeting the needs of the community is our first job and we mean to do this to the best of our ability."

The Variety Store went over the top with the largest weekly sales in its experience, \$4,512, selling holiday merchandise better in quality than in 1943. The Drug Store total of \$2,701 was 50 per cent greater than last year and the service station, which has had gas throughout the current shortage, bettered its 1943 record by 100 per cent. The gasoline supply is still holding up, but customers are limited now to one coupon.

A large Christmas tree business was handled this year outside the Food Store with Waldo Mott, Public Relations director, lending a helping hand. Managers and employees worked hard and long. Last week at least it was possible to make an appointment with Sam Ashelman for as early as 7 a. m.

## Dr. Israeli Gets

## Article Published

An article, "American Post-Doctoral Education," written by Nathan Israeli, of Greenbelt, appears in the current issue of "The Journal of Higher Education." This completes a series of papers on this topic. Two others, written by him, appeared in "School and Society" and in "University Administration Quarterly."

Other publications of Dr. Israeli, prepared here, include the following articles: "Psychology of War-time Planning" and "Education for Planning" both appearing in 1943 issues of "School and Society" and "Psychology of Post-War Planning" which appeared in the "Journal of Psychology". His reviews of "Drives Toward War" by E. C. Tolman and of "A Social Psychology of War and Peace" appeared in this summer's issue of the "Journal of Social Psychology."

## To Study GCS Candidates

An unofficial meeting of members of Greenbelt Consumer Services working toward the selection of well-qualified candidates for the February election of the board of directors will be held Wednesday, January 3 at 8 p. m. at the Elementary School. The room number will be posted at the entrance to the building. All interested G.C.S. members are invited to attend.

Reports of a questionnaire committee and a candidate selection committee will be made and their recommendations may be acted upon by the members present.



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## Place Of Their Own

Already the threatened wave of "juvenile delinquency" which we feared two months ago seems far away and completely removed from the Greenbelt scene. So quickly can conditions be changed when the need is great and we are willing to work for a solution!

There are going to be cases of boys and girls getting into trouble, of course. But the over-all picture has been improved by two factors. Some parents, impressed by a serious discipline problem which seemed to be taking form in town, tightened up control in their own families. And from the community approach the chief lament of our young people has been set to rest by the very simple act of giving them a place of their own to take care of and to use.

With very little fanfare the 'teen-agers opened their basement recreation room last week. Decorations and equipment are not yet completed, but the place is clean and enough essentials have been installed to make it usable. Individuals and organized groups in town have the opportunity or making worthwhile gifts that will be appreciated during these months ahead. There are many things which would make the "Drop-Inn" a more comfortable and more useful center for young people. — furniture, magazines, games, records.

The one thing which must not be given is too much advice. The present arrangements allow the 'teen-age Greenbelters to run the "Drop-Inn" themselves, and that is good. They will not only be kept busy, but they will pick up some useful experience in the process.

To our boys and girls who are shouldering a new responsibility and filling a new niche in the community we offer every good wish. And to the many town officials and interested citizens who made the recreation room possible in such a hurry — thanks.

## Thin Ice!

In spite of what has seemed like plenty of cold weather, the lake has not yet been officially opened for ice skating. Just as soon as there are four inches of ice, and the police department says okay, the boys and girls can get out their skates and try some fancy figures, as well as showing off some nice ones in those sharp costumes the local queens sport.

Chief Panagoulis says to look for the official notices, which will be posted on the bulletin boards in the Post-Office and the Tobacco Shop, and also in the windows of the Food Store and the Drug Store. Until these notices are posted, let's all keep up the Greenbelt safety record by staying off the ice, no matter how tempting it may look.

## OUR NEIGHBORS

By JUNE WILBUR

Tel. 5051 after 5

The Ritchies, Tom and Eleanor with little Tommy spent Christmas with relatives in New Haven, Conn.

The Frederick Ackermans with Jacquie and Paula-Anne headed west and went to visit relatives in Sandusky and Monroeville, Ohio.

Mrs. Pearl Bliss of Philadelphia is visiting with her sister Mrs. Morton Chwalow this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Cozad and Gary spent Christmas Day with the Burley Parks in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. John Spahr of Washington, and the Robert St. Clairs of our town had Christmas dinner with the Volckhausens.

Former Greenbelt Ensign (j. g.) Frances Townsend visited with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Key and Kay.

Miss Lillie Young, aunt of Bill Stewart, is spending the holiday season here. She came down from Brattleboro, Vt. before Christmas. Lt. (j. g.) and Mrs. James Wright of Syracuse, N. Y. are presently visitors down in this part of the country.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dodge of 17-A Ridge Road wish to thank friends and neighbors for their kind expressions of sympathy on the death of Mrs. Dodge's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Stutz of 14-Z Ridge Road, entertained a large group of friends on Sunday, December 24. The occasion was a joint celebration in honor of their twelfth anniversary and the fourth birthday of their son Julian. Among those present were the Misses Blanche Dembiner and Celia Gross, of New York City.

Amy Beth Batterman, born Nov. 18th to Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Batterman of 16-B Crescent Road. Frank Thomas Surber, born to Mr. and Mrs. Orville James Surber of 7-K Research Road.

William Burley Clayton, Jr., born Dec. 7th to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Burley Clayton of 22-B Parkway.

Linda Jean Taylor, born on Dec. 12th to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Raymond Taylor of 56-B Crescent Road.

Dr. and Mrs. Nathan Israeli of 5-F Gardenway Road, announce the birth of a daughter Beulay Rachel, on December 18th.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ratzkin announce the birth of their son, Michael Howard, on December 19 at the Riverdale Hospital.

Miss Ruth Mahler of Brooklyn, N. Y. is visiting the Samuel Maryn's for the holidays. She pitched in and helped write headlines for the Cooperator last Tuesday night.

Edward DonBullion, who broke a leg in a football game way back during last October had his cast removed about three weeks ago. He is getting along well now but will have to stay in bed for a while yet.

Mrs. Harry A. Hazell enjoyed having her husband, daughter, and small grandson all home for Christmas week with her. Master Sgt. Harry A. Hazell is stationed at Camp Butner, N. C. Mrs. Lee Ellis and her son Dickie will be staying over the 1st.

The Greenbelt Army Wives Club announces the birth of its first baby, Barbara Gay Lockier. Barbara Gay was born on December 23. She is the daughter of Tech. Sgt. and Mrs. Robert W. Lockier. Her daddy is overseas in the European theater of war. The local Army Wives Club is itself a very young organization having been formed early this fall.

OUR STAFF WISHES YOU ALL A



We aren't worried about the New Year when we remember the fine spirit of cooperation that you have shown in your dealings with us in 1944! Surely, the American people cannot fail while such a spirit motivates their actions. We wish to thank you for your patience and understanding during these critical months.

Let's continue to work together to make 1945 a year with  
a proud history!

## The Greenbelt Cooperator

### Community Church

"The Road Ahead" will be the subject of the Reverend Wilmer P. Johnston's New Year sermon at the Community Church Sunday morning. What lies on the road ahead of us? What attitudes should we take towards those things? These are all important questions that Mr. Johnston will attempt to answer in his sermon Sunday morning. This sermon will be preached at the Community Church at eleven o'clock. The music will be furnished by a robed choir under the direction of Mr. Dwight H. Truckess, accompanied at the organ by Mrs. Hester Neff.

Mrs. Katie Barili will be in the north of the church from 10:50 on to welcome the children whose parents wish to leave them while they worship in the main auditorium.

The communion service will be observed the following Sunday, January 7. All are asked to be present at the New Year's communion service.

The Community Church Guild will meet Wednesday, January 3 at the home of Mrs. George Edmunds, 27-A Ridge Road.

### Catholic Church

Confessions: In Greenbelt, on Saturday from 2 to 5 p. m. and from 7 to 10 p. m. at 17-E Ridge Road. In Berwyn, on Saturday from 4:30 to 6 p. m. and from 7:30 to 10 p. m. Also on Sunday in Berwyn from 3 to 6 p. m. and from 7:30 to 10 p. m.

Sunday Masses: In Greenbelt, 7:30 a. m. and 9:30 a. m. in the Greenbelt Theatre. In Berwyn, 7 a. m., 9 a. m., and 11:30 a. m. Christmas Masses: In Greenbelt, Midnight Mass and 9 a. m. in the Greenbelt Theatre. In Berwyn: Midnight Mass, 8 a. m., 9 a. m., and 10 a. m.

Novena Devotions: At Berwyn Wednesday evening at 8 p. m. Religious instruction classes in the Greenbelt Elementary School building will be resumed when school reopens after the Holy Season.

### Santa Early To Church

Santa Claus came to town a little early for the children of Greenbelt Community Church School. Fred DeJager played the leading role on the Sunday before Christmas, distributing a gift of fruits and books to every child. A good attendance welcomed Santa Claus and made his visit a merry one.

"Found" and "Car Pool" notices are free services. All others are 3 cents a word, cash, with a minimum charge of 50 cents.

### TO THE EDITOR

#### Living Goodwill

During this season of Christmas and goodwill it is brought to our minds that many of our friends and neighbors are giving us the greatest gift of all—Freedom—and are paying for it in many cases with their lives. Among them are those who go to other churches than our own.

Some time ago four men, a Catholic, two Protestants, and a Jew, all in the service of our country—Navy Chaplains—literally gave away their lives as they gave their lifebelts so that at least four others might live. Here was not question of church, just recognition that God's children were in need.

All four men went down with their ship but their names—Palling, Good, Fox, and Washington will be remembered as those who helped to bring peace on earth through their good will to their fellow men.

—LESTER CITRON

### Honor Roll Nearly Filled At Berwyn

The beautiful Berwyn Honor Roll at the corner of East-West Highway and Baltimore Blvd. is almost filled with the names of service men. As the list is continuing to grow it has been planned by the committee to add wings of an artistic nature to the board that will further beautify the spot, and provide for enlarging the roll.

Since the erection of the board last summer, Mrs. William H. McManus has constantly kept fresh flowers at the Memorial. Her interest and devotion to the maintenance of the Berwyn Memorial is appreciated by the whole community. The board is now lighted at night so that all who wish may read the names of the service men.

The citizens of Berwyn are urged to send in to Postmaster T. Raymond Burch the names of any men who have entered the service. The Ways and Means Committee of the Memorial Fund request that contributions be transmitted direct to Mr. A. B. Graham, 4816 Berwyn rd., Berwyn, or other members of the committee, in order to defray the cost of the wings that will provide space for additional names.

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## The Home Front

By JUNE WILBUR

Here I go steaming down main street and will probably step on the painful corns of several residents but tonight I feel brave. Since becoming a woman of the eight-hour day, six-day week regime the shoutings of a lot of my cohorts has struck a note, on the food-shopping scale. Of course most housewives do their shopping according to the schedules set by their babies, children, husbands and housework and perhaps after five o'clock seems to be the best time for that difficult chore. If possible to arrange it though, it would be a tremendous help to those who are at work all day, if those who are home during the daylight hours would food shop before the regular job workers pour back home in the evening. This would leave the stores to the many Greenbelters who have only the hours between five and six-thirty to glt the family larder. O. K. now it's out. I've been stewing inside about this for about six months and a lot of others have been fussing for many more. It would be a big help for the morale of Greenbelt's large population of working womanhood if those people who are home all day would please do their food shopping before five o'clock.

### 775 School Children Enjoy Christmas Party

By DONNA ROMER

Greenbelt Elementary School's party, Dec. 21, was a huge success—and huge is really the word because 775 children attended this Christmas party. The children were divided into two groups, each made up of children of all ages from Greenbelt, Berwyn, and Berwyn Heights schools. These children were kindergarten, first, second and third grade pupils.

Entertainment was presented around the beautifully decorated Christmas tree in the Auditorium. Games designed by Greenbelt children were enjoyed by visiting neighbors. Recitations, songs and dances were some of the other events on the program.

Refreshments consisting of milk and cookies were served on place mats that were made by the children. The cookies were baked at the school by the refreshment committee.

Teachers agreed that Greenbelt children worked unusually hard on these plans. But their efforts were well rewarded by the evident pleasure of their young companions and they and their teachers have every right to be proud of their ability as hosts. Everything was presented beautifully and ran on perfect schedule.

School starts again January 3.

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## Mens Basketball Tourney To Begin Jan. 16 at 8:30

The opening game for the local men's basketball league has been set for Tuesday, January 16, at 8:30.

The hour from 7:30 to 8:30 of each session may be used for a choice of activities, such as volleyball and ping-pong. At 8:30 the floor is to be cleared to allow the basketballers to have their innings. The tournament games will be run off on the following Tuesday night gym periods.

The male basketball fans have an added incentive for joining the league, for Lou Gerstel, Greenbelt sport's fairy godfather, has promised individual gold medals to the members of the winning team.

The women will resume their program after the holidays, completing their volley-ball tournament on Wednesday, January 3, and beginning their basketball league games on the following Wednesday. The women begin the new year with a full month of uninterrupted night sessions each Wednesday. The men are a bit less fortunate, since their January 9 meeting is cancelled for a high school double header.

## Five Years Ago

(From the Cooperator of  
December 28, 1939)

Greenbelters were preparing for the first meeting of their Co-op which was to operate all the stores as of January 1, the Cooperative Organizing Committee having certified that half of the residents had purchased shares. . . . The P. T. A. announced a study course in "Adolescent Training" . . . It was revealed that Greenbelt has the highest tax rate of any town in Prince Georges County, and receives greater community benefits such as a municipal hospital, town library, adult education program, public health program, recreational facilities. . . . Elementary School pupils presented "Babushka" as a Christmas play. . . . And the Greenbelt Players gave "Cradle Song" . . . Bill Blanchard win the Yuletide Bowling Sweepstakes in a field of 61 duckpin enthusiasts. . . . Editorially more residents were asked to share the burden of community welfare and activity which was falling more and more upon the shoulders of fewer and fewer citizens.

## One Year Ago

(From the Cooperator of  
December 31, 1943)

The worst fire in Greenbelt's history did \$1200 damage to the home of David L. Sherill, 14-W Hillside Road. . . . The Citizens Association and the Town Council both had transportation committees at work on a plan to regularize car pools. . . . Arthur Flemming, U. S. Civil Service Commissioner, was scheduled by the Citizens Association as speaker for the January meeting. . . . Residents were urged to take advantage of local entertainment for New Year's Eve celebrating. . . . The Cooperator's lead editorial urged a recreation center for Greenbelt's young people before the close of 1944.

## Beltville

By MRS. M. G. BOWEN  
The Beltville County Unit Committee of the Camp and Hospital met at the Parish Hall in Beltville on Nov. 14 to receive boxes for the boys at Camp Ord. The Unit met to make arrangements for a Christmas party on Dec. 19 in the Red Cross Building. The Red Cross asks donations of card tables, pool tables, string instrument, harmonicas, and a piano. They also would like donations of sugar, coffee, records and magazines.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Donaldson and son Bobbie were guests at Crest View recently.

Mrs. John Barbour of Beeson Crest returned home Nov. 14 after four weeks' visits among friends and relatives in Uniontown, Pa.

The Woman's Club held their annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Norval Spicknall.

Mrs. Rachel Rogers is visiting her husband who has returned to a hospital in Georgia. He was wounded in New Guinea.

Rev. and Mrs. Glenn Cooper visited Dr. and Mrs. Lambert of Baltimore.

Mrs. Lydia Robertson from Belleville, N. J., was a week-end guest of Miss Betty Cadwallader.

## MacWilliams To Head New Slate

John McWilliams is the new president of the Athletic Club. Officers for the coming year were elected at the annual meeting on Wednesday, December 21.

Mr. McWilliams succeeds James Flynn as president of the organization. C. J. Van Camp succeeds George Bauer as vice-president, Charles Ourand remains as secretary for the coming year, E. Don Bullion succeeds Harry Phelps as treasurer, and George Bauer was elected as custodian to succeed Bill Hahn.

After the elections and the installation ceremony the new officers were honored with a party and congratulated by a large crowd which had collected to enjoy the festivities.

## Students Present Xmas Program

By MARILYN MARYN

The festive Christmas program, presented by Greenbelt High School students last week was a great success and packed a full auditorium of parents, pupils, faculty, and friends. This colorful tableau was the first of its kind to be given here by high school students.

The program was planned by the faculty assembly committee in an effort to bring the whole school together for a Christmas assembly, provide opportunity for school cooperation with the Parent-Teachers Association and other community groups, and offer entertainment in keeping with the Christmas spirit. The committee consists of Miss Armacost, Mr. Donahue, Mrs. Voris, Mr. Speicher, and Mrs. Truckess, who was chairman. Mrs. Powell headed the scenery committee, and Mr. Donahue the staff of ushers. The regular P.T.A. meeting was cancelled.

The program was ushered in by 10 girls each dressed as Santa Claus, and bearing wreaths. They entered from the back of the auditorium, paraded to the front, then displayed their wreaths, which spelled out "Merry Xmas!" The first part of the program opened displaying a 12-ft. window with a service star in it, and flanked on either side by a snowman and two reindeer. A pantomime skit of a typical American family took place inside the window. The house was decorated with the usual Christmas trimmings and tree. Selections were given by the Glee Club.

The second part of the program then followed. A new back-drop was used and the story of the three wise men coming to Bethlehem was acted. Again the Glee Club sang.

Mr. Speicher addressed the audience and extended holiday greetings to all.

The surprise of the evening was the presentation of gifts to Mr. Speicher.

The program concluded with dancing to the music of the Serenaders. Refreshments were served by the P.T.A.

## 10 Band Members Help In Concert

By KATHLEEN SCOTT  
and PAT BROWN

Ten members of the Greenbelt Band augmented the instrumentation of the Police Boys' Club Band in a series of concerts given on Christmas Day at the House of the Good Shepherd, Mount Alto Hospital, Methodist Home for the Aged, Episcopal Home for Children, Masonic and Eastern Star Home and School for Girls, Children's Hospital, and the home of District Commissioner John Russell Young. After the concerts the boys were entertained at breakfast by the management of the Willard Hotel. Members of the Greenbelt Band participating were: Harry Benefiel, trumpet; Legrand Benefiel, clarinet; Chas. Powell, clarinet; Dick Palmer, trumpet; Frederick Powell, mellophone; Alan Taylor, baritone horn; Julian Taverner, alto horn; Billy Colliver, clarinet; Sam Downs, sax; and Mahlon Eshbaugh, tuba.

The Band celebrated Christmas by a short party Friday night, featuring Hershey bars, ice cream, cookies and "cokes". Bandmaster Dana Garrett was presented with a handsome music case by John

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## Greenbelt High's Court Teams Sparkle As They Down Laurel's Girl And Boy Cagers; New Coaches Lead Greenies

Greenbelt High School's basketball Bruins, under the guidance of a pair of new coaches, romped away with a couple of games at Laurel on December 15 to inaugurate the winter court season in a completely satisfying manner. The Grizzlies, tutored by Louise Stone—Helena Knauer's successor, overcame tall guarding to tame the Laurel girls by 15-12 in the matinee and Jack Zeldin, Navy Ben Goldfaden's replacement, coached his Grizzlies to a 23-13 victory over the Laurel lads in the follow-up tilt.



Patty Bell      Lon Eshbaugh  
Our Girl Bruins stood out on the defense throughout the opening scrimmage; the work of Patty Bell was tops and she was ably assisted by Jane Linhardt, Ginny Gomo and Ann Turner.

Overcoming stiff defense on the part of willowy hostess guards, Patsy Loftus and Dolores Wolfe corded enough shots to bring home the bacon by 15-12.

Zeldin's Boy Bears clearly showed nervous rustiness as their man-for-man play couldn't penetrate Laurel's zone defense by halftime, where they tied the hosts at 7-7. Adopting a zone system of their

own in the second half, the Grizzlies were able to intercept erratic Laurel passes and shake Lonnie Eshbaugh loose on basketgrabbing jaunts. The musical guard pumped in half a dozen from the floor and a trio of freebies for 15 points, the night's high water mark. Captain Don Wolfe and Pete Cookson dumped a pair of bucket apiece to supply all other Grizzly scoring. Laurel picked up but 6 points in the last half and were beaten, 23-13.

The Locals are in for a tough evening on January 5, when they entertain Mt. Rainier High's boys and girls in Greenbelt's first night of Prince Georges Conference play. The Mounts feature "Man Mountain" Peek, 6 foot 5 inch center and Bucky Loomis, 6 foot 3 inch forward on a team averaging 6 foot 2 and favorites to win the conference crown. Barbara "Butch" Gilchrist, a red hot point maker, makes favorites of the Mount Lassies; so our kids are going to need plenty of "rooting" from the home fans to upset their first visitors.

Girls' Game			
GREENBELT	G	F	T
Loftus, f	4	0	8
Wolfe, f	2	1	5
Walker f	1	0	2
Bell, g	0	0	0
Gomo, g	0	0	0
Linhardt, g	0	0	0

Totals:	7	1	15
LAUREL	G	F	T
Anderson, f	1	0	2
Hastings, f	1	0	2
Souder, f	2	0	4
Peverinne, f	1	0	2
Flack, f	1	0	2
Lindawood, g	0	0	0
Witmer, g	0	0	0
Bell, g	0	0	0

Totals:	6	0	12
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Score at halftime: Greenbelt 9, Laurel 6. Nonscoring substitutes: Greenbelt—Forrester (C), Brown, Turner; Laurel—Wheeler, Baker, Pierce, Evans, Harris, Whitman. Scorer—Ellen Gussio. Timer—Joan Shoenb.

Boys' Game			
GREENBELT	G	F	T
Wolfe, f (C)	2	0	4
Corneal, f	0	0	0
Strickler, c	0	0	0
Eshbaugh, g	6	3	15
Cookson, g	2	0	4

Totals:	10	3	23
LAUREL	G	F	T
Morris, f	1	1	3
Nichols, f	0	1	1
P. Hall, c	2	0	4
Kelly, g	0	1	1
Murphy, g (C)	0	0	0
Peak, g	1	1	3
J. Hall, g	0	1	1

Totals: 4 5 13  
Score at halftime: 7-7 tie. Nonscoring substitutes: Greenbelt—Fisher, Scott, DeMar, Cragin, Fox, McCarl, Burke, Herr, Neuman; Laurel—Lusk Alcorn, Huckley, Phelps, Courn.

## CLASSIFIED

RATES—for classified advertising: 3 cents per word, minimum 50 cents. Phone 4151 or bring to basement of 8 Parkway Tuesday night.

RADIOS REPAIRED, called for and delivered. Telephone 3571.

RADIO SETS—Repaired by engineer in your own home. Irvin M. Lee. Greenbelt 2883.

WANTED—bicycles or tricycles in any condition for parts, or will trade. National Sport Shop, 2461 18th st., N. W. CO. 9611.

PIANO LESSONS—Modern method for beginners. GR. 5487.

LOST—Girl's wrist watch. Call GR. 5103. 7 Forest Way.

LOST—Irridescent beads, Sunday at Christmas service. Reward. GR. 4387.

FOUND—Fountain pen on Research Rd. Identification required. 6-H Ridge Road. Phone 4151.

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## Jan. 20 Deadline Set By Co-op For Patronage Slips

Letters are being mailed out this week to Greenbelt residents explaining the method of grouping 1944 cash register slips for presentation at the office of Greenbelt Consumer Services. Patronage dividends—the cooperative method of distributing profits to members—are paid on the basis of purchases made at the stores throughout the year and the cash register slip is the customer's record of the amount he spent.

The slips must be handed in at the office over the drug store by January 20, at 5 p. m., but it is none too soon, according to Waldo Mott, publicity director of GCS to start making bundles of 25 receipts, totalling and labeling them. Full directions are going out in the mail today.

For the convenience of residents the office will be open during the evenings of January 15 through 19 from 7:30 to 9:30.

Non-members may submit their cash register slips and will have until December 31, 1945 to complete payment of a ten-dollar share of stock of GCS. At the time the share is paid in full, the amount of the patronage dividend will be credited to the new member's account.

The membership determines the method and form of payment at the regular quarterly meeting in February.

Rules for filing cash register slips are as follows:

1. Submit only those slips which to the best of your knowledge represent purchases made by you and your immediate family at the stores in Greenbelt during 1944.

2. Make bundles of 25 slips except for one which may be less than 25 and which should be lettered "A". Other bundles should carry the labels "B", "C", "D", etc.

3. Each bundle should have a top sheet bearing the total dollar purchases represented by the slips attached, your name and the letter referred to in (2) above. Fasten with paper clip or rubber band.

4. A form which is being mailed out with the instructions is to be used for listing totals of each bundle of slips and the grand total. Fill this out completely and accurately.

5. Put the bundles and form in a strong paper bag, closing it securely. Print your name, address and the dollar total of all slips on the outside of the bag.

6. Bring the bag to the G.C.S. office before January 20 at 5 p. m.

## Business Women Hold Yule Party

The Prince Georges Business and Professional Women's Club held their December meeting at the home of Miss Honor Keane with Mrs. Jacqueline Lynch and Miss Susie Beall assisting.

Mrs. R. Webster Ross, chairman of College Park; Mrs. Christine Echols of Riverdale, and Mrs. Dorothy Ogburn of Hyattsville were appointed to study the pos-

## Ration Roundup

By THOMAS JEFFRIES

The Office of Price Administration, in announcing the return of canned corn, peas, green and wax beans, asparagus and spinach to the rationed list teaches all of us a lesson—we cannot hoard, not even ration stamps. We must learn to share everything with everyone. We must also learn to spend our ration stamps wisely and well. Housewives should accept this ruling in the same spirit as our fighting men accept their call to duty.

The rise in point value for butter from 20 points to 24 points per pound is justified. Although the butter supply in Greenbelt is much better than that of many stores, we still receive only 35 cases every 10 days, which is much less than needed. Did you know you can mix butter with oleo-margarine? By doing this you will help in giving everyone a more even distribution. Also it will be wise to use more oleo.

The other major change in point values is the return of 85 percent of meats to the ration list. Beginning next Sunday all grades of beef will require points. Twenty-one cuts of beef have been reduced in point value require points. All cuts of pork including bacon have been returned to the rationed list. Beef liver, veal liver, bologna (all types), frankfurters, fresh pork sausage, deviled ham, dried beef, luncheon meats and ready-to-eat meats are all back on the list.

Evaporated and condensed milk is increased from one red point to one and one half points per can.

Valid stamps now are Q-5, R-5 and S-5 for meats, fats, butter, cheese, etc; X-5, Y-5 Z-5 A-2 and B-2 for processed foods. Only stamp 34 is good for sugar and all canning stamps are invalid. All ration stamps for food are in book number four.

Having your point values counted and ration books ready before you reach the check-out counter will help to speed up service. The best time of the day to shop is between 2 and 4 p. m.

Citrus juices are still point free.

Paper bags are hard to get and expensive. Use shopping bags and boxes whenever possible. Our paper supply for Greenbelt is cut about 50 percent.

sibility of the Cheverly Hospital being able to give care to patients eligible for State aid.

After the business meeting was over the meeting was turned over to the Program Chairman, Mrs. Jacqueline Lynch. Mrs. Lynch sang a group of Christmas carols accompanied by Miss Honor Keane. A bit of military was blended with the Christmas party when Captain Barbara Smith from the WAC Recruiting Office and Lt. Ruth Dannefelder from the WAVES recruiting office appeared and discussed possibilities for entering these Services.

Send or bring your advertising needs to basement of 8 Parkway Tuesday evenings, or to 6-H Ridge Road any time.

## County Youth To Have Own YMCA

Prince Georges County YMCA, with headquarters in Seat Pleasant, will be inaugurated January 1, pending formal announcement of recognition. A committee of 18 members met last week with Mr. Foster, of the Central YMCA, and laid plans for organization.

Rev. Russell Lengel, acting general secretary, announced yester-

day that the organization was complete, but vacancies were left on the committee for representatives of any organizations which should become interested in the project. For the duration of the war, the "Y" plans to operate through the four local schools. Plans for a building have also been completed.

N. K. Cooper, of Hightstown, N. J., who has done organization work of this type in the past, has been appointed general secretary.

Provisions have been made for activities for boys of all age

groups. Hi-Y, official YMCA fraternity for high school boys, has already been organized at Maryland Park High School.

## Rifle Teams Meet Tonight

The Greenbelt Gun Club is putting a team into another match in the county league tournament tonight at the University of Maryland indoor range. The match opens at 7:30 and will use prone, kneeling, and standing positions of fire.

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BARBER SHOP	BEAUTY SHOP	VALET SHOP	VARIETY STORE
Closed All Day	Closed All Day	Closed All Day	Closed All Day

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